Mayor and City Council Agenda Item Request

Meeting Date: 9/3/2013 Type: Policy Discussion / Staff Guidance

Call to Podium:

Caroline Seiden

Agenda Item Title:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 24 (CITY ZONING ORDINANCE), SECTIONS IN ARTICLE I, ENTITLED "IN GENERAL," ARTICLE III, ENTITLED "REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO PARTICULAR ZONES," AND ARTICLE VII, ENTITLED "BOARD OF APPEALS," SO AS TO UPDATE, CORRECT, AND/OR CLARIFY TEXT AND PROCEDURES RELATED TO APPLICATIONS TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS

Responsible Staff and Department:

John Schlichting, Director of Planning and Code Administration Trudy Schwarz, Community Planning Division Chief Kirk Eby, GIS Planner Caroline Seiden, Planner

Desired Outcome from Council:

Vote on Ordinance CTAM-2682-2013

Public Hearing History	
Introduction Date:	5/20/2013
Advertisement Date :	6/5/2013
	6/12/2013
Public Hearing Date:	7/1/2013
Record Held Open Date:	8/8/2013
Policy Discussion Date:	9/3/2013
Anticipated Adoption Date:	

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Supporting Background Information:

In the wake of a lengthy and contentious special exception hearing last year, the Board of Appeals has identified multiple housekeeping and more substantial changes to the City Code that would enable the Board to review special exception, variance and administrative review petitions with more precision. The Board met over several work sessions to identify and propose revisions to Chapter 24, Section 24-1 (Definitions) and Article VII, Board of Appeals. Additionally, a considerable number of housekeeping issues related to an improper section reference to the telecommunications ordinance are also proposed throughout Chapter 24. The draft text amendment has been reviewed by both the Board of Appeals' counsel, Bil Chen, and City Attorney Lynn Board. These changes are described in more detail within the Memorandum dated June 14, 2013.

The Joint Public Hearing regarding this application was conducted on July 1, 2013. No written testimony regarding this application has been received and no changes to the draft ordinance have been made. The final draft ordinance is included as Exhibit 8 in your package. The Planning Commission reviewed the proposed text amendments at their August 7, 2013 regular meeting, and unanimously voted to recommend approval of the proposed amendments.